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SUBJECT

special normal classes for the training of teachers at Barisal and Mymensingh

1 From The Director of Public Instruction
No 2430 / 133 Dt 22/8/12
Submits a Report on the working of the Special Normal classes held during the Summer Vacation of 1912.

2 To do No 4316 Dt 18/12/12
Records the Report and Requests the Director of Public Instruction to submit proposals for opening an annexe to the Mymensingh Normal School for training teachers in Certain Subjects.

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Special ~~training classes~~ Normal classes for training teachers

From

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No 2430/133 Dated 22/8/11 Received 29/8/11

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BRIEF ABSTRACT OF LETTER

Submits a report on the Special Normal classes held for the training of teachers at Bangalore & Mysore during April to May 1912.

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4/9/11 ✓ The special classes are reported to have worked satisfactorily, and the experiment to have been

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a success so far

3 A suggestion is made that the institution may be made permanent by the establishment of an annexe to the Normal School at Mysore to train up the Elder teachers The formation of a special class with two L T s and One Art Instructor is suggested and the I Gl says that if the suggestion commends itself to Govt definite proposals will be made to start this annexe to the Normal School at Mysore after consulting those competent to advise in the matter

Secretary

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Commissioner

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I think the idea of making it permanent is prima facie good. Detailed proposals may be called for

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	6 Submitted with a draft issue hm 10/12/12
6	To the DI of Edn no 4316 dt 13.12.12 Records his report and calls for definite proposals for opening an annexe to the Nasik Normal School for the training of old teachers

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OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL OF EDUCATION IN MYSORE

No 2689 Edn 3

Bangalore 22nd August 1912

From

M Shama Rao Esq , M A
Offg *Inspector General of Education in Mysore*

To

K R Srinivasiengar Esq M A
Offg Secretary to the Government of His Highness
the Maharaja of Mysore General & Revenue Departments

Sir

I have the honour to submit the following report on the Special Normal Classes held for the training of teachers at Bangalore and Mysore during April and May 1912 -

A Memorandum of suggestions for opening Vacation Classes for training teachers &c a copy of which is herewith submitted for perusal was received from Mr C Krishna Rao Secretary to the Education Committee of the Economic Conference recommending the opening of these classes in all District Head Quarters

Such Normal Classes for training teachers in card-board and paper-folding however used to be held every year for 3 weeks during the Vacation at all District Head Quarters as well as in some Taluk stations Teachers from surrounding Anglo-Vernacular and Village Elementary Schools selected by the Inspectors of Schools were trained in these classes Special training in Arithmetic Geography Object Lessons Narration of Stories Drawing and Modelling Kindergarten and Nature study and card-board work is given in the Normal Schools of the State from 1907 when the schemes of studies in these schools were recast For the benefit of teachers who received their training previous to this year Special Vacation classes also used to be held

held in the Normal School, Mysore These classes, however, could not be held during the last 2 years

2 It was considered desirable that occasional Vacation lectures in the above subjects would be of advantage to the Department and accordingly 2 Special Classes were arranged for, one at Bangalore and the other at Mysore with the sanction of Government conveyed in Government Order No 7355-6/Edn 236-11-2 of 6th April 1912 The following scale of remuneration to lecturers and Masters was proposed and sanctioned by Government -

For each centre	4 lecturers @ Rs 75/- each	Rs 300/-
	60 stipendiaries @ Rs 15/- each	Rs 900/-
	Contingencies &c	Rs 100/-

For both the Centres Rs 2500 roughly

The Normal Class at Bangalore was conducted for 6 weeks from 18th April 1912 by Mr K Chintamani Rao B A , L T , Assistant Masters, Maharani's College, Mysore as Superintendent assisted by Messrs S Srinivasa Rao, B A , L T , Assistant Master High School, Bangalore, Jagadeesan Art Instructor of the Normal School Mysore and S Srinivasa Rao, Supervisor of Sloyd, Bangalore

The class at Mysore was conducted during the same period by Mr M Venkatasubbaiya B A L T , Assistant Master, Normal School, Mysore as superintendent in the unavoidable absence of Mr Hiriyanna, M A , L T , assisted by Messrs K Kesavaiya, Art Instructor of the Normal School, Mysore and H Krishniengar, Sloyd Supervisor, Mysore

The number of teachers trained was 60 and 59 at Bangalore and Mysore respectively The total cost of the special classes was Rs 2509-8-0 making the cost Rs 21-1-5 for each teacher trained

A syllabus of lectures was first drawn up conjointly by both the Superintendents and was approved of by the Inspector General This syllabus was closely followed The students had work for 6

hours

hours a day three hours being devoted to lectures on general subjects and the other three to hand work The total number of teachers passed as fit to teach classes in General subjects or hand work was 97 out of 119 that attended the classes A statement showing the results of the examinations held at the closing of the session is also submitted herewith

All the lecturers did their work with earnestness and enthusiasm and have succeeded in creating considerable interest in the teachers who attended the classes for the new methods taught In spite of the short notice that was given to set about the forming o these classes the experiment may be regarded a success so far

The Superintendents have embodied their suggestions on the scheme in a joint note copy of which is enclosed for information with marginal observations

The suggestions made by the Superintendents in their joint note fall into 3 sections -

(i) The nature duration and character of the lectures
(ii) The facilities required for putting what is learnt into practice
(iii) The gradation of the pupils for attaining the maximum of benefit out of these lectures

In regard to (i) the defects and drabacks pointed out can be got over in a satisfactory way only by the institution of an annexe to the Normal School at Mysore to train up these older teachers The School already provides for the training of recruits and outside students For a training class both the equipment and the personnel of the teaching to be of a special character Without a complete outfit of either the benefits arising from the special course is likely to be considerably at a discount If a special class were equipped with 2 L T's and one Art Instructor the courses can be made of 3 months' duration and 3 shifts of 40

teachers

teachers may be passed through the class in each year

This arrangement will admit of teachers being so selected as to be of the same calibre of receptivity more or less This ought to be for teachers in the Department trained and untrained to whom the regular course of a year would be a burden to a certain extent unnecessary Even old teachers who cannot with benefit be made to undergo regular course in the Normal School may be sent up for this short course with advantage to the Department

Now that the principle of deputing these Masters for training and providing for substitutes is recognised, even the financial difficulty would be reduced to a minimum and the amount invested upon these teachers once in 6 years or so will not be thrown away

In regard to suggestion (ii) any degree of training would be useless unless each trained master is given the opportunity to put the precepts into practice This has to be insisted upon by the Inspecting officers and a circular will be issued to that effect Without this stimulus it will be too much to expect the Masters to exert themselves to achieve a high level of rational teaching more particularly in the lower stages of teaching work This involves as a necessary qualification a better mental equipment to begin with This last requisite will receive attention in revising the curricula of studies

Suggestion (iii) is really sound and would have received the fullest measure of attention had there been enough time Even as it is the choice of teachers and their being made to agree to go to join the class is a matter of considerable difficulty Under the scheme as it was arranged finally, the difficulty was considerably reduced If the suggestion made in para (i) be adopted it would be easy to arrange the courses in grades according to the general qualifications of the teachers seeking training If this suggestion commends itself to the Government, definite proposals will be made to start this annexe to the Normal School at Mysore after consulting

consulting those competent to advise on the matter

I may however point out that some such organised effort will go a great way to advance the efficiency of the work of the School Master where it is most needed although it must be admitted a great deal has been attempted in this direction already It gives me great pleasure to record in conclusion that the energy and enthusiasm displayed both by the lecturers and the teacher-pupils deserve commendation

I have the honour to be

Sir

Your most obedient servant

Offg Inspector General

T N P

Suggestions for Summer Vacation Classes for
Elementary and Anglo-Vernacular School
teachers
1912

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It is desirable to arrange for short courses during the ensuing summer vacation in Arithmetic Geography object lessons and Narration of stories along with drawing modelling paper-folding and card-board work Most of those who have to teach these subjects in Elementary Schools and in the lower classes of Anglo-Vernacular Schools will be glad to avail themselves of an opportunity of acquainting themselves with the proper method of teaching them Young and intelligent teachers who have passed at least the Lower Secondary Examination in English and have had at least 2 years' teaching experience are persons that are likely to be most benefited by such short courses It is therefore desirable that such teachers in Anglo-Vernacular and Village Elementary Schools should be selected first others being selected to make the required number

The classes may be held for about five weeks soon after the High Schools are closed for Summer Vacation

The most suitable stations for holding these classes appear to be the District Head Quarter towns Students' Home buildings may be utilised for the accommodation of the teachers under training where they can be placed at their disposal and a few rooms in the High or Anglo-Vernacular School buildings may be placed at the disposal of the lecturers

Thirty teachers may be selected for each of the stations other than Bangalore and Mysore 60 being selected for each of the latter Three hundred teachers would thus be selected for training Such teachers as have to leave their towns and villages and have to mess in hotels or Students' Homes should be granted an allowance of Rs 5/- for the entire period they are under training

Two lecturers would probably be needed for each station besides a drawing master and a drill instructor These would

have

have to be remunerated for services rendered during vacation time One month's pay for the entire period for each lecturer or teacher may be considered sufficient

The two Circle Inspectors the two Sloyd Supervisors the Head Master and the First Assistant of the Mysore Normal School may be asked to select the lecturers and to arrange for detailed syllabuses being drawn up in regard to each subject selected for instruction Printed copies of the approved syllabuses showing the names of the text books to be consulted should be furnished to the lecturers

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Offg Inspector General

T N R

From

The Superintendents
Special Normal Classes
Mysore and Bangalore Centres

To

The Inspector General of Education in
Mysore Bangalore

Sir

As referred to in our special reports we have the honour to submit the following few general observations in connection with the special classes -

The Vernacular lectures organized by the Department for the benefit of the Lower Secondary and Primary teachers of the Province do in our opinion serve a useful purpose "Monotony is the greatest enemy a teacher has to contend with" After working for a number of years even the best of teachers are unconsciously apt to move in the same groove Especially is this the case with the teachers who have no access to modern works on Education These special courses infuse freshness and vigour into such teachers and open their eyes to the advancement that Education is elsewhere making in all directions It should however be admitted that a regular training for one year in a Normal School is better than a short special course of six weeks So young teachers who have put in only one or two years service in the Department may with advantage be selected for

These vacation classes are intended chiefly for teachers with or without training who cannot be made to undergo a regular course or to whom it may be unnecessary

S K

for training in a Normal School while such teachers as have had training in a Normal School some years back and all those who cannot be selected to undergo training in such a school owing to the age-limit or other considerations may we think be made to attend the Special Course

This object can be attained only by putting up an annexe to the Mysore Normal School and passing the Masters through periodically for 3 months at a time or 3 shifts in a year

S K

As regards the time of the year in which the Special Classes are to be held we think that on account of the hard work required of the lecturers and the students the Summer vacation is not quite suitable This is no doubt the only period of the year in which such classes may be held without dislocating the work of the Department to a great extent But we think it will be advantageous both to the lecturers and to the students if arrangement can be made to hold these classes in some other part of the year

The previous suggestions will meet this also 3 months ought to be ample and courses ought to be so framed as not to be exhaustive but fully suggestive leaving a great deal for the Masters/individual initiative

S K

We beg also to state that the period of six weeks is too short for the lecturers to take the students over the extensive ground they have to traverse Moreover in connection with the general subjects it is also necessary to have a number of Model and Criticism Lessons Under these circumstances the best thing that can be done is to cut down the number of subjects or to extend the period to ten weeks

This can best be done by letting the Masters adopt the methods in their work the Inspecting officers paying some attention and laying some stress on this A timely word of encouragement to successful work will go a great way

S K

Further we beg to suggest that the Normal students when they go back to their schools should be given scope for putting into practice the methods they have learnt and that arrangements be made to test their work from time to time

Circular may issue to this effect
S K

time This will ensure to a great extent the benefits that the lectures are intended to confer

In selecting teachers for the Special Course we think uniformity of attainments should be the main consideration In one year the English Assistant of Anglo-Vernacular Schools who have passed the Matriculation Examination or who have read up to that standard and whose work mostly lies in the Secondary classes may be chosen In another year the Assistant Masters of Taluk Kannada Schools who have passed the Upper Secondary Examination or who have read up to that standard and whose work mostly lies in the Secondary Classes of Vernacular Schools may be selected In a subsequent year the teachers of Primary Schools may be asked to undergo the course Such a selection while facilitating the work of the lecturers will also secure uniformity of teachir

This is eminently desirable and is quite capable of adoption for a short course such as the one under consideration What is wanted is that arrangements be made in good time and not hurried through at the last moment
S K

We beg also to suggest that if the teachers who have undergone the special course are requir to put into practice the principles and methods of they have learnt the curricula of studies in our Secondary and Primary Schools will have to be so modified as to bring them up to the level of Modern Educational advancement It is also necessary that text books suited to the needs of the present Educational progress will have to be prepared and put into the hands of teachers

These two suggestions bring together and form part of a larger scheme of educational overhauling in progress
S K

teachers and pupils

We have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servants,

(Sd) M Venkatasubbaiya

(Sd) K Chintamani Rao

Superintendents

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M. Sharma Rao

Offg Inspector General

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2 Geography	55	4	--	1	15	17	8	19	70	21	8	20
3 Narration of stories	59	--	--	1	29	14	6	10	88	14	6	11
4 Drawing Modelling Brush work &c	19	19	12	10	12	18	21	8	31	37	33	18
5 Card board and Paper-folding	13	14	20	13	38	14	7	--	51	28	27	13
6 Inspection of Note books and observation lessons garden works &c	22	10	28		18	19	16	6	40	29	44	6

Offg Inspector General

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Signed by MRBG

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